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AltWheels Fleet Day Vital for Fleet Managers Navigating the Energy Transition

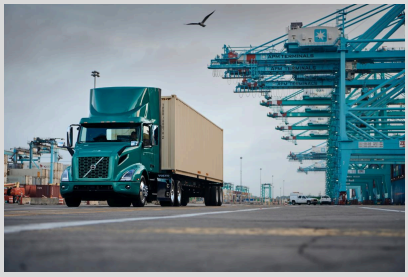
More than 300 Fleet Managers and Government Officials Show Up to Share Concrete Steps to Save Costs While Reducing GHG Emissions

Norwood, MA –September 16, 2024 –AltWheels Fleet Day returns for its 21st Anniversary on Monday, October 7 at the Four Points by Sheraton in Norwood, MA. Clean energy experts and officials will provide guidance on how to navigate the energy transition to more than 300 fleet managers and government leaders during the largest meeting of corporate and municipal Fleet Managers focused on sustainability on the East Coast (**www.altwheels.org**).

Since 2003, Fleet Managers have come to recognize AltWheels as a leading source of practical information on how to improve performance in their fleets, saving costs while making fleets more environmentally sustainable. AltWheels Fleet Day provides corporate and municipal fleet managers with valuable insights on what has and hasn't worked for others. Fleet Day focuses on the latest in fleet transportation technologies,

alternative fuels, energy efficiency tools, and fleet management practices that can reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and operations costs.

Barry Carr**,** Director, Clean Communities of CNY and Joy Gardner, Executive Director, Empire Clean Cities will serve as Masters of Ceremonies. Britta Gross, Director of Transportation, Electric Power Research Institute will give the morning keynote address about the overall state of where we are in the Energy Transition. The afternoon keynote will be an update on the NEVI Funding awarded in the Northeast by Mike Scarpino, Transportation Project Engineer, US Department of Transportation. There will be scheduled time to visit the Vehicle Showcase and experience Ride & Drive Opportunities hosted by ReCharge America as well as to visit indoor exhibits and for networking.



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The agenda consists of the following panels and speakers:

Fleet Operations Managers: Managing the Energy Transition

- Ben Hartford, EV Sales Manager, Pritchard EV
- Sunil Kurien, EVP Strategy, Roundtrip EV Solutions Inc.
- Ezekiel Wheeler, CEO, Intelligent Labor and Moving
- David Macholz, President/CEO, Advanced Vehicle Technology Group
- Mason White, President and CEO, Fleet Electrical Service

Moderator: Steve Russell, Alt Transportation Program Coordinator/ MA Clean Cities Director, Mass DOER (ret.)

Navigating the Energy Transition: What is Coming Down the Pike

- Jim Anderson, AltFuels Manager, Anderson BlueBird Bus Sales
- Dan Mazurek, Northeast Government Sales Manager, Ford Motors
- Roberto Comacho, E-Mobility Regional Sales Manager – Northeast, Volvo Trucks North America

- Chance Parker, Regional Sales Manager – Northeast, Bollinger Motors
- Stephen Marlin, EV Consultant Manager, GM Envolve

Moderator: Jordan Stutt, Senior Director, Northeast Region, CALSTART

Bridging the Gap – Renewable Solutions

- Marianne Mintz, Leader/Principal Transportation Systems Analyst, Argonne National Laboratory
- Steven Levy, Managing Director of Operations, Sprague Energy
- Jonathan Hackett, Senior Director, Environmental Products, Global Partners
- Wes Hansen, Director of Business Development, E-Mobility, IVYS Energy Solutions
- Don Cusson, Owner, Cusson Automotive

Moderator: Craig Peters, Executive Director, Capitol Clean Cities of Connecticut

Innovations and Tools around Charging

- Scott Bradley, Director of Sales and Strategic Partnerships, Pioneer eMobility
- Dick Johnson, EV Charging Solutions, BorgWarner
- Kathleen Connors, Founder and President, Voltrek
- Rhys Webb, Senior Director, MassCEC
- John Garett, Vice President of Maverick EV Services

Moderator: Jennifer Kritzler, Deputy Director, Northeast Region, CALSTART

Electrifying at Scale: How do Fleets and Utilities get from Here to There?

- Chris Andrade, Energy Efficiency Consultant, Eversource
- Hugh Reece, Senior Program Manager, EVs, National Grid
- Anna Brackenhofer, Energy Program Analyst, PowerOptions
- John Keeter, Fleet Manager, City of Cambridge
- Sydney Hayes, Project Manager Northeast Region, CALSTART
- Casey Horan, Attorney, Zero-Emission Transportation, Environmental Defense Fund

Moderator: Britta Gross, Director of Transportation, Electric Power Research Institute

This year's AltWheels is brought to you by 31 sponsors, 33 exhibitors, many vehicles in the Vehicle Showcase, and many states and municipalities across the Northeast.

The day will finish with a presentation of the **Stephen R. Connors Visionary Award,** given to an individual who exhibits "Leadership in helping make changes in the environmental sector that positively impact the world." Last year the award was presented to Erin Russell-Story, Technology Integration Project Officer for the U.S. Department of Energy - National Energy Technology Laboratory.

Students from Minuteman Technical Vocational High School will attend as guests of AltWheels. Students in this program can join the workforce immediately after high school as DPW workers in wastewater, drinking water, and environmental conservation and remediation, and or go on to higher education to train as natural resource managers. "Knowing about the latest in transportation developments is a fantastic boost to their careers, and increases the adoption of greener transportation through their knowledge and recommendations down the road!" said Sarah Cammer, Environmental Science and Technology Instructor, Minuteman High School.

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There is still time to register for this conference. Registration prices vary, but all registration includes a full breakfast and lunch as well as appetizers during the networking cocktail hour. Please visit **www.altwheels.org** to register and for more information on our 2024 event as well as video, photos and presentations from last year.

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